

AGENDA

Workshop on the Implications of HIPAA's Administration Simplification Provisions for Public Health and Health Services Research

November 2 and 3, 1998

One Washington Circle Hotel, Washington, D.C.

Monday, November 2, 1998

8:00 am – 9:00 am	Conference Registration
9:00 am – 9:30 am	Welcome and Introductions <i>Edward Sondik, National Center for Health Statistics</i> <i>Marjorie Greenberg, National Center for Health Statistics</i>
9:30 am – 10:15 am <i>Plenary</i>	Understanding HIPAA This brief plenary session will provide an overview of HIPAA's administrative simplification provisions, standards setting organizations and their relationship to each other, the proposed Federal rules and the rule making process, and a summary of the input contributed by public health and health services research. <i>William Braithwaite, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation</i>
10:15 am – 10:30 am	Break
10:30 am – Noon <i>Panel Discussion</i>	Bringing public health and health services research data into compliance with HIPAA standards: Challenges and Opportunities This panel discussion will explore the advantages and challenges faced by public health agencies and health services research organizations seeking to migrate to HIPAA-directed content and transaction standards. <i>Anne Elixhauser, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research</i> <i>Robert Davis, New York State Department of Health</i> <i>Meade Morgan, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</i> <i>John Lumpkin, Illinois Department of Public Health</i> <i>Stanley Nachimson, Health Care Financing Administration</i> <i>Eileen Salinsky, The Lewin Group (moderator)</i>
Noon – 1:00 pm	Lunch

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Break-out Sessions

Prioritizing the data standards needs of public health and health services research

These break-out sessions will seek to develop realistic consensus on how proposed standards could be modified to better meet the needs of public health and health services research and to identify a prioritized set of objectives for future involvement in on-going standards maintenance efforts.

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm

Break

3:15 pm – 4:00 pm
Break-out Sessions

Prioritizing the data standards needs of public health and health services research (continued)

From 3:15 pm – 4:00 pm, break-out session participants will prepare a report on their deliberations to report back to the workshop as a whole.

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Plenary

Report of Break-out Sessions

A representative from each break-out group will report back to the workshop as a whole. Convergent data standards needs will be identified and prioritized.

Tuesday, November 3, 1998

8:00 am – 8:10 am

Review of Day 1 Proceedings

Eileen Salinsky, The Lewin Group

8:10 am – 9:50 am

Panel Discussion

Building Partnerships and Establishing Strategic Alliances

This panel discussion will seek to identify opportunities for establishing common data standards goals and partnerships between public health and health services research and with managed care organizations, pharmaceutical companies, large purchasers, and others interested in monitoring health care quality and conducting outcomes research and technology assessment.

Blake Caldwell, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Richard Platt, Harvard Pilgrim Health Care

Donald Parsons, The Permanente Federation

Kathleen Fyffe, Health Insurance Association of America

Eileen Salinsky, The Lewin Group (moderator)

9:50 am – 10:15 am

Balancing Privacy Protections and Public Health Information Needs

This presentation will begin with a brief discussion of the historical and current status of health information privacy law and the legal and ethical values on which they are based. The speaker will then discuss the need to balance the beneficial uses of individually-identifiable health information with privacy protections.

James Hodge, Jr., Georgetown University Law Center

10:15 am – 10:30 am

Break

10:30 am – Noon

Panel Discussion

Understanding the Standards Setting Process: How Things Work

This panel discussion will describe the processes and timelines of the various standards setting organizations and identify some of the key realities facing public health and health services research as they begin to engage in these processes.

Karen Trudel, Health Care Financing Administration

Jan Root, Utah Health Information Network

Ed Hammond, Duke University Medical Center

George Arges, American Hospital Association

Jean Narcisi, American Medical Association

Eileen Salinsky, The Lewin Group (moderator)

Noon – 1:00 pm

Lunch

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Break-out Sessions

**Ensuring Effective Representation in Standards
Maintenance Efforts and Promoting Widespread
Participation in These Efforts**

These break-out sessions will seek to design strategies for (1) maintaining representation on the standards committees, (2) ensuring that this organized input is broadly reflective of public health and research concerns, and (3) identifying responsible parties.

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm

Break

3:15 pm – 5:00 pm

Reviewing Workshop Results

This concluding session will recap the major recommendations that emerged during workshop proceedings, identify unresolved issues, and clarify next steps.

